(b) The efforts being made by the ITDC to improve the efficiency and profitability of its hotels *inter-alia* include aggressive marketing and sales efforts, direct contact with major tour operators/Travel Agents, offering incentives to sales representatives and participation in International Travel/Trade Marts.

Transfer of coal mines from Orissa to Madhya Pradesh

988. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether attempts are being made to transfer Vasundhera East and West Coal mines from Orissa to Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether there is any agitation in Orissa against this attempt; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to restore these two coal mines to Orissa?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) No, Sir,

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Orissa Government's proposal for Developing Daringibadi as a Hill Station

989. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal submitted by the Government of Orissa to develop Daringibadi in Dhulabani district of Orissa as a hill station has been pending with the Central Government since long; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir. A propisal to set up a tourist complex at Daringibadi reecived from the State Government of Orissa was sanctioned for Rs. 14.96 lakhs.

(b) Does not arise.

Management of NTPC taken over by NTPC

990. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the management of NTPC was taken over by NPTC; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes Sir, the Management of Transmission lines and associated sub-stations of NTPC have been taken over by the NTPC w.e.f. the 16th August, 1991.

(b) With this change Transmission lines and associated sub-stations presently thinly spread amongst a dozen Central Organisations are proposed to be brought under a single Central Organisation *viz.* NTPC with a view to move large blocks of power from various Central Generating sources to the load centres within the regions as well as across the region with reliability, security and economy with an ultimate aim of creating a national power grid.

Suspension of World Bank Aid to S.E.Bs.

991. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item